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Applicant: MARK ALAN WEST ET AL.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Box Non-Fee Amendment

December 18, 2000

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments to the claims prior to the examination of the application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 9 and 10, without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof.

REMARKS

Entry of the amendments to the claims before examination of the application is respectfully requested. These claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies.

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If there are any questions regarding this Preliminary Amendment or this application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #3036/49488).

Respectfully submitted,

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